

Attorney Docket No. S-2418/CONT  
PATENT

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:                    )  
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Serial No. Continuation of            )  
parent appln. S.N. 08/950,902        )  
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Filed: Concurrently herewith         )  
  
For:       PROCESS FOR PRODUCTION OF ALCOHOLIC COFFEE DRINKS

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a Rule 53(b) continuation application, which claims priority from copending application Serial No. 08/950,902, wherein an final Office Action having a mailing date of September 29, 2003 is outstanding with a three-month shortened statutory period for response. A request for an extension of time is enclosed along with the proper fee. Accordingly, this new Rule 53(b) continuation application is timely filed.